# May 20th Commission Meeting

# Nashville Community Education Main Office

#### In attendance:

Commission Chair: Brian Gilson Commissioner: Matia Powell Commissioner: Bernard Pickney Commissioner: Laura Moore Commissioner: Doug Renfro

#### Staff:

Mary Beth Harding, Executive Director Imelda Alamilla, Programs Coordinator Joshua Hill, Administrative Services Officer

# Call to order:

4:15 pm by Commission Chair Brian Gilson

#### **Public Comments:**

N/A

### **Action Items:**

### **FY17 Officer Vote**

Edward Hantel - Chair DaLila Duarte - Co Chair Matia Powell - Secretary

Bernard motion to approve all nominations by acclamation. Seconded by Matia. Approved

#### **Discussion Items:**

#### **Commissioner Terms**

Mary Beth reviewed commissioner term expiration dates. Dalila Duarte, Edward Hantel, and Bernard Pickney all have expiration dates in the next year. They will be eligible for reappointment if interested.

#### **Discuss FY16 Budget:**

Mary Beth presented the YTD FY16 to the commission. We are currently well below budget in expenses and on par with revenue budget.

#### **Discuss FY17 Budget:**

Mary Beth presented the proposed FY17 budget and talked about the upcoming Budget Hearing on May 25th.

# **Course Proposal/Instructor Conduct:**

-Mary Beth presented a course proposal for an NRA trademarked class title "Refuse to be a Victim". Commissioner Bernard motion to table the discussion until a review from Metro Legal can be arranged. Seconded by Matia. Approved.

- -Mary Beth talked about a concern that instructors maybe expressing strong political and social beliefs in class which could make some students feel uncomfortable.
- Q: Is there language in the Instructor Handbook Code of Conduct that would be relevant to this issue?
- A: Not specific language but it is stated that instructors are "at will" hired volunteers. Director and PC will review and draft language to be added to the handbook for the next meeting.

# **Vacation and Sick Accrual:**

No comments.

**Motion to adjourn:** Commission Chair Brian Gilson motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15pm.

Next Meeting – June 22nd Cohn School 4:00pm